IN THE SUPREME COURT OF IOWA

LINDA K. JUCKETTE,

Petitioner-Appellant,

v.

IOWA UTILITIES BOARD,

and

MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY,

and

OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE,

Respondents-Appellees.

IOWA SUPREME COURT NO. 21-1788

POLK COUNTY DISTRICT COURT CASE NO. CVCV061580

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE A BRIEF OF AMICUS CURIAE IN SUPPORT OF RESPONDENTS ON BEHALF OF THE IOWA ASSOCIATION OF ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES, THE IOWA ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES, AND THE IOWA UTILITY ASSOCIATION

Pursuant to Iowa R. App. P. 6.906, the Iowa Association of Electric Cooperatives ("IAEC"), the Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities ("IAMU"), and the Iowa Utility Association ("IUA"), respectfully request leave of the Iowa Supreme Court to file an *amicus curiae* brief on behalf of the Respondents in this case, the Iowa Utilities Board ("IUB"), MidAmerican Energy Company ("MidAmerican"), and the Office of Consumer Advocate ("OCA").

The IAEC, the IAMU, and the IUA are representative associations that support the operational, legal, economic development, educational, and advocacy interests of utilities all across the State of Iowa. Collectively, these organizations represent over 800 utility organizations, including investor-owned, non-profit cooperatives, and municipal entities within all ninety-nine counties in the State of Iowa. Collectively, these utility organizations serve over 3 million customers in the State of Iowa. The issues presented in this litigation will impact the individual utility members of the IAEC, the IAMU, and the IUA, by affecting their ability to locate utility facilities in the public right-of-way without having to exercise the right of eminent domain to do

so. Therefore, this Court should take into consideration the unique viewpoints, information, and arguments hereby submitted by prospective *Amici*. *See* IOWA R. APP. P. 6.906(4)(a)(3).

A proposed Brief has been filed in tandem with this Motion for Leave, and has been duly served on all parties to this litigation. Prospective *Amici* respectfully request they be granted *amicus curiae* status in the above-captioned action.

Dated: March 17, 2022.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on March 17, 2022, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of Court for the Iowa Supreme Court using the Iowa Judicial Branch's EDMS electronic filing system, which will send notice of this filing to all parties and attorneys of record.

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